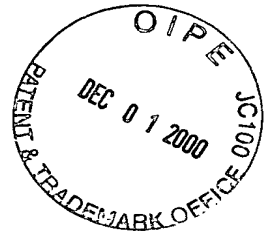


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RESPONSE

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of September 1, 2000, Applicant respectfully
traverses the rejection of the claims of the above-identified patent application as follows:

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is
respectfully requested.

Claims 37-48 and 70-77 are pending in the present application. Claims 37-48 and 74-
77 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as obvious over Allen et al. (U.S. Patent No.
5,394,458). Claims 70-73 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as obvious over Allen et
al. as applied to Claims 37 and 43 above, and further in view of Hemmady et al. (U.S. Patent
No. 4,872,157).